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APPRAISAL OF CONTENT:

- Communist leader Victor MORA Calderón called a meeting of the Vanguardia Popular membership in Quepos at his home on 17 May. MORA said he had some things of importance to talk about which would mean a lot for the democratic cause in America.
- He said he had received a visit from a special emissary who had told him that the current strikes in Honduras and Guatemala were being directed for the present, from Mexice, but that soon Guatemala would be sufficiently prepared to take charge of the whole movement. He also brought them up to date on the strike situation.
- MORA said the Honduras strike was being ably directed by trained elements. This strike will be followed by one in another country and possibly they will go out on the biggest strike ever seen in Costa Rica. However, he cautioned the members that the Quepos workers will do nothing until events develop in the southern banana zone and spread to the Atlantic side.
- He said that one reason for their meeting was to let them know that of the possibility of a complete change in plans so they can be ready when the opportunity comes. He indicated he expected visits from other comrades. MORA spoke only in vague terms and at no time did he give complete details on any of the above items.
- MORA said the FETRABA directors do not realize the Communists have changed their tactics and that instead of dealing with them, they are now contacting the FETRABA workers in the banana fields and other parts directly helping them to form opinions and making them see that they can cooperate at a given moment without leaving their own syndicates and thus obliging their leaders to submit to the great movement that will be prepared.

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